



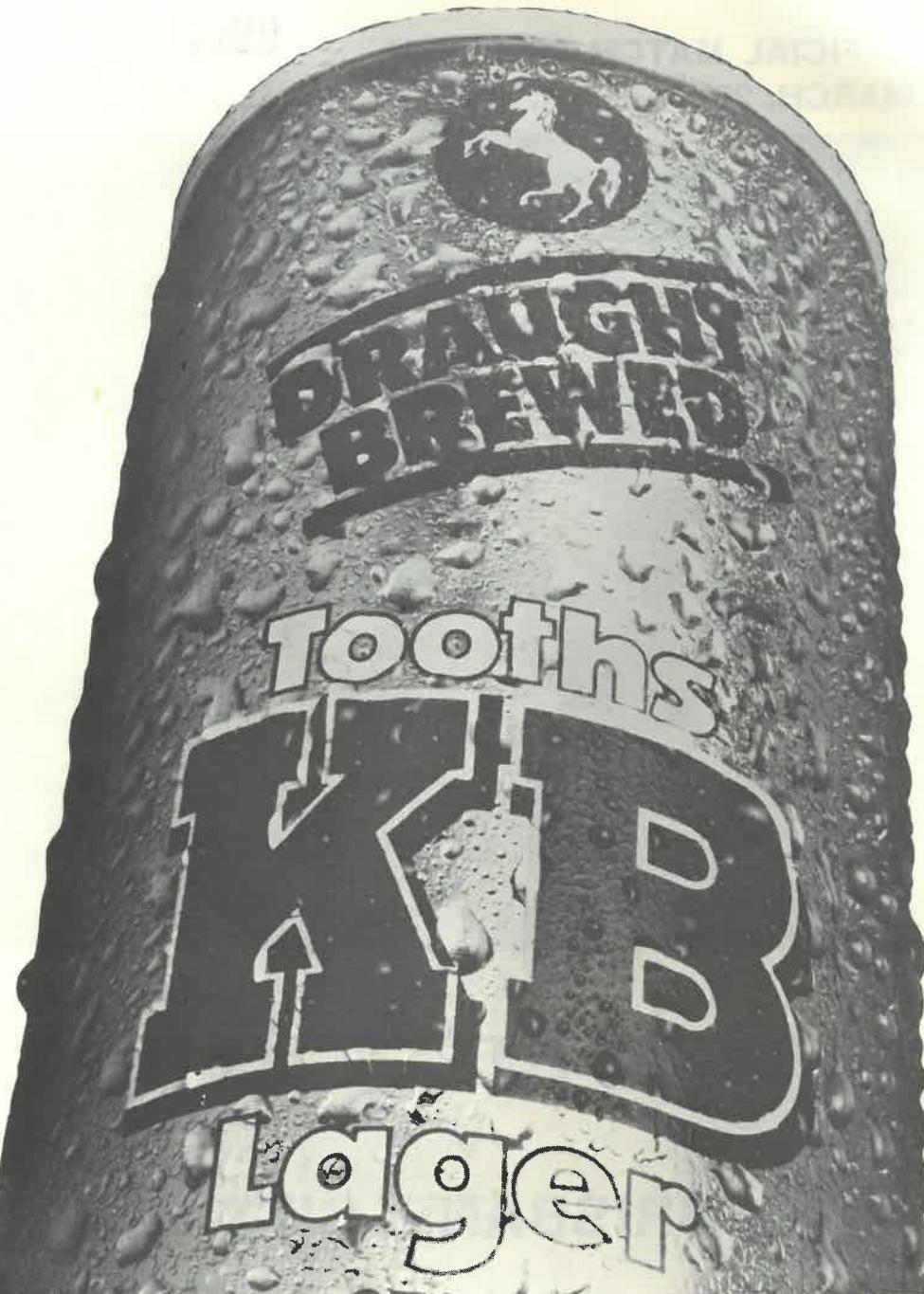
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COVER PIC: Who better to put on our cover this week than John Sneddon, the goal hero of last
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Newcastle KB United

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The only side in the Philips League to have won the Philips Cup is in Newcastle today to do battle with KB United.

Brisbane City repeated their 1977 effort by lifting the Philips Cup again last year making them the only club to win the trophy in its two-year history. Like most trophies in football, if they complete the hat-trick this year, it's theirs for the keeping.

Newcastle have very clear memories of Brisbane City's run in the Cup last year because they tossed United 2-0 in the semi-finals. That match was one of three controversial encounters between the two sides last year.

The first was in the first round of the league when United met City before 6208 fans at the International Sports Centre. Brisbane City won that match 3-2 after having two men sent off. United coach Alan Vest said later: "I thought we would have won if they'd had 11 men on the park."

There was more drama to come in the second round at Perry Park when United squared the account — again in controversial fashion. With United leading 2-1, City put the ball in the net on the stroke of full-time. But, much to the dismay of their fans, the referee had already whistled for a penalty against United. The pressure was right on goalkeeper Phil Dando but he pulled off an amazing save to resurrect two points for United.

Shortly after, in a tense Cup semi-final, United looked to have the better of City on their home ground but late in the game, a hotly disputed penalty went

against United to give City a 1-0 lead. Newcastle threw everything forward in search of an equaliser. This exposed them at the back and they conceded another goal to end their Cup hopes.

For a side with such battling qualities it is hard to understand why City finished last in the league last season.

They won seven games but lost 16. Their attacking record of 29 goals was the second lowest scoring tally while they had the worst defensive record of 49 goals conceded. When you compare this to Newcastle's 33 for and 40 against, United look the superior side but when the team's clash, the encounters are usually very even.

Alan Marley topped City's goal-scoring last year with six while Doug Kelso, scored five.

Steve Perry, City's classy central defender made the most appearances for his club last season with 25 games. Kim Wishart, their agile goalkeeper played in 24 of the season's 26 PSL matches.

Two weeks ago Adelaide City might have thought that wooden-spooners City would be easy pickings in Adelaide but the Brisbane boys shocked them 4-2. Like 1978, this season is going to prove that there is very little between the top and the bottom of the PSL ladder which is just another way of saying that Newcastle will be in for a very hard game today.



Alan Vest

FROM THE TUNNEL

Craig Mason has had his share of misfortune on the injury front, but is battling hard to get fit and will be fighting for a first team place. Young Neal Endacott has also had his share of illness but two goals last Saturday in the reserves and is looking very sharp now in training.

Often niggling injuries in training go unnoticed by spectators, but these can often contribute to players being a bit below par on occasions, but with Frank Campbell treating them, we try and get them back on the park as quickly as possible. Frank does a tremendous job for the club as my assistant covering coaching, treatment of injuries and office duties.

Another magnificent performance to come away from league champions West Adelaide with a point after having two goals disallowed.

Our side showed tremendous character and the attitude and approach to games by all players is becoming more professional every week. Even after having two goals disallowed and conceding a goal ten minutes from the end with Phil Dando unconscious and a linesman flagging then putting down his flag, the lads still battled to the end.

Well, Brisbane City today with two good wins under their belts and what looks like an intriguing game. We'll be out there giving all we've got and we're looking for more of that tremendous support.

What a tremendous start to the season last week for both players and spectators with our 2-1 win over South Melbourne. It was a great team performance and probably the best crowd support for 90 minutes that we've ever had. The most pleasing factor from my point of view was the number of chances we created, admittedly we're not putting them away at the moment, but if we can keep creating them, then they'll come.

Our aim has always been attacking football and we'll continue to work that way. We've got a good blend of youth and experience at the moment with all three of our under 19 youth players Malcolm McClelland, Brett Cowburn and Peter Tredinnick contributing greatly to the win. But experience also helped with goals from Col Curran (eyes on the trophy) and Bill Summerscales and a top class performance from Ian Seddon who is now beginning to settle down into the player we know he is.

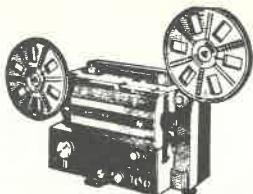
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PLAYER PROFILE

The joker in the United pack this season is clever right winger Graham Heys. His humour matches his ball control and his showing against Canberra City caught the eye of national coach Rudi Gutendorf.



This Week:
GRAHAM HEYS

POSITION:

Striker/Winger

SHIRT NUMBER:

10

DATE OF BIRTH:

29-11-55

STAR SIGN:

Sagittarius

HEIGHT:

5' 6" maybe 5' 8" in my dreams

WEIGHT:

9st 12lb

HAIR COLOUR:

Sunset Red

EYES:

Sea Green

OTHER POSITIONS PLAYED:

Midfield anywhere/Left winger

GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT:

F.A. Challenge Trophy Semi Finalist at 17. England International at Youth and Schoolboy

GREATEST DISAPPOINTMENT:

Being (cup tied) at Wembley last year unable to play for Altrincham in FA Challenge Trophy. Not signing full time at Everton.

HOBBIES:

Golf, squash, tennis, badminton, snooker, Music, women (not in that order), eating out, dancing

SUPERSTITIONS:

Bad managers, that's all

AMBITIONS:

To play the field & play full time in England after winning PSL

GREATEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER:

Ken Burton (England Youth Manager), Dave Connor (Ex Man. City and Macclesfield Town Manager)

MARITAL STATUS:

Single

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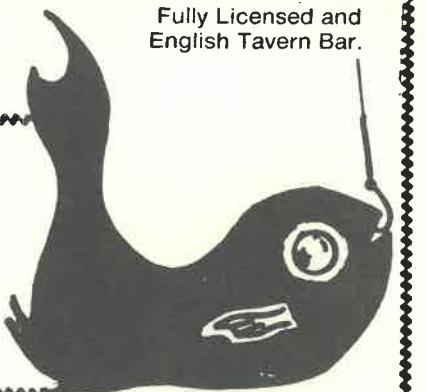
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The problem is a world-wide one, but hardly more evident anywhere than in Australia.

It was with such situations in mind that Allen Wade, the English Football Association's Director of Coaching, Compiled The FA Guide to Teaching Football.



The beauty of this book, released by Heineman, is that it is not exclusively aimed at those people with a working knowledge of soccer. School teachers (women as well as men), parents, youth leaders and the uninitiated can gain valuable knowledge in the fundamentals of coaching players from seven through to 16 years of age. Wade deals with each age group (ie 7-9, 9-10 etc) individually and in great detail by mapping out routines and activities which improve not only the skill factor but the competitive interest of the participants.

His techniques at all times put the emphasis on the fun of the game, thereby inspiring the will to learn in the players. His routines are geared to set a problem for the player and guide him through to a solution. This is a wonderful tool in

the development of the child for sporting and other pursuits.

The book is clearly divided into separate categories so that even the most inexperienced teacher, coach or parent can find the guidance relative to his or her coaching situation. His helpful line drawings make the task easier still.

In Wade's own words: "Soccer is easy to teach to children because many of them already know a great deal about it and many are so keen on it. Simple principles, professional organisation, appropriate incentive schemes, unlimited encouragement - any teacher worth the name can hardly fail. Even more important, he or she will gain enormous pleasure and satisfaction from the pleasure and satisfaction gained by the children."

Back in the Old Dart . . . Elton John, that other soccer-mad rock 'n' roll millionaire has been having a nail-biting time while Watford, the third division club of which he is chairman, has been battling hard to win promotion to the



second division. Watford wear the KB colours of gold, red and black and last season won the fourth division. Ross Jenkins, their free-scoring striker has notched 30-odd goals this year to top the league scoring and he has a great partner in England under-23 international Luther Blissetts.

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Kenny Boden shapes to cross from the right wing as he is challenged by South Melbourne's Bertie Lutton.
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EARLY GLORIES

by Jack Mathews

When Minmi Rangers Soccer Club was formed in 1883 to become the first recognised club in the code in the North, the game took its first tentative step towards the goal of public approval.

The approval grew steadily through the years so that on July 17, 1955, a crowd of 18617 — much bigger had the non-paying attendance been included — watched Australia play Austrian Rapids on a Newcastle ground. That was almost exactly 18 years after a crowd of 17259 went to Newcastle Sports Ground to see Australia defeat Bernard Joy's English Football Association top amateur international side in the third Test of the series — and the match was played on a Tuesday afternoon.

The public approval sought by Minmi Rangers is once more being gained as is evidenced by the enthusiastic support being given Newcastle KB United Club's team.

Interest in other areas was cautiously slow after the formation of Minmi Rangers. Indeed, it seems likely that the second team to be formed also came from Minmi — the Thistles. It was, like the Rangers obviously a side of considerable quality and was prominent in the Ellis Cup, a knock-out competition, in the early 1880's.

In soccer's early days in the North it had opposition that could not be ignored from Rugby, which had a strong hold in areas near to Newcastle, while Australian Rules had solid support in the Wallsend, Waratah and Maitland areas although Soccer — or British Association football as it was then known — was, of course, played in the Wallsend district where there were several teams.

It was many years before Waratah and Maitland had teams, at senior level in Soccer.

The second club of note to be formed in the North was Hamilton Athletic in 1885, soon followed by Burwood United and two years later by Wallsend Rovers, Greta Bluebells and Carrington Black Watch.

Not a great deal is known about Hamilton Athletic or Burwood United which was, in later years followed by a strong Merewether Club. Hamilton Athletic was followed, some time later, by a strong Hamilton team which played home matches in Learmonth Park.

Hamilton Athletic had a ground, we are told, somewhere near the old Newcastle racecourse which was situated close to where Newcastle High School now stands.

Burwood United's playing pitch was where St. Joseph's Church and school are situated at The Junction.

Players from the two clubs, and from

Adamstown a few years later, did not have matters made easy for them in those days. When drawn to play a competition match against Minmi teams at Minmi they walked to Hamilton railway station, went by train to Hexham and then by a private train to Minmi.

It was a matter of leaving home as the sun rose and returning to it in the wee small hours. Minmi's players had similar difficulties — in reverse — when drawn away. But the players survived and, indeed, thrived.

In its early days, Soccer was at a marked disadvantage in its battle to outdo rival codes. Most of its players were employed in the mining industry. That meant that they had to work on 'back' Saturdays and could only play on the alternate, or 'pay' Saturdays. Football on Sundays was, of course, highly taboo in those days.

The Hamilton Athletic Club brought to the North its first notable success in a competition in which Sydney clubs competed. It won the coveted Gardiner Cup only two years after the club was formed. That success came in 1887, the third season in which knock-out competition was held.

The cup was won in 1885 and 1886 by Granville, Australia's oldest established soccer club, it having been formed in 1883 some months before Minmi Rangers came into being.

Hamilton Athletic won its way into the 1887 final — to meet the apparently all — conquering Granville team, naturally strongly fancied to win the cup for the third year in succession.

The teams met at the Sydney Agricultural Ground. To the dismay of the cock-a-hoop Sydney enthusiasts Hamilton Athletic won, four goals to one.

That was the first of many Gardiner Cup successes gained by Northern teams — mainly West Wallsend which played in ten finals and won six of them between 1900 and 1926.

The Hamilton Athletic team which, strangely, did not win a Newcastle premiership or the Ellis Cup knock-out competition, makes interesting reading.

The full-backs were R. and J. Jackson, uncles of Archie Jackson, the great Australian Test cricket batsman who died at an early age. James Jackson became the first Australian player to succeed in English and Scottish Soccer. He played for Woolwich Arsenal, Newcastle United, Glasgow Rangers and Abercorn. He was named Footballer of the Year in the Boy's Own Annual of 1897 — no small distinction in those days.

Another member of the Athletic XI was J. Stevenson. In later years, Mr. Stevenson donated the Stevenson Cup for Northern competition and also became a most prominent Coalfields-Newcastle businessman.

Yet another was J. Finlayson who played a prominent part in forming the Adamstown Rosebuds Club in 1889. There was also J. Edgton — and that is a name that will stir the memories of Wallsend Club stalwarts of a few years back.

SCORERS

NEWCASTLE *Curnan, Summerscales
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BRISBANE CITY *Same.*

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

1. PHIL DANDO
2. PETER WILLIS
3. NEAL ENDACOTT
4. CRAIG MASON
5. BILL SUMMERSCALES
6. ROY DRINKWATER
7. LLOYD HARDES
8. IAN SEDDON
9. KENNY BODEN
10. GRAHAM HEYS
11. DAVID JONES

MANAGER:

Alan Vest

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cinnamon

and white

or

Red, gold

and black

12. JOE SENKALSKI
13. MIKE GALPIN
14. JOHN SNEDDON
15. COL CURRAN
16. PETER TREDINNICK
17. JIM MCBREEN
18. MICHAEL BOOGAARD
19. MALCOLM MCCLELLAND
20. JIM PRESTON
21. KEITH HARRIS
22. BRETT COWBURN

REFEREE:

Tim Davies



1. KIM WISHART
2. IAN RATHMELL
3. BRIAN KIBBEY
4. PETER TOKESI
5. STEVE PERRY
6. LARRY GAFFNEY
7. WILLIE CONNER
8. FRANK PIMBLETT
9. ALAN MARLEY
10. ROBERTO ECHEVERRIA

MANAGER:

Nereo Saftich

COLOURS:

Sky blue

and

white

11. KEVIN CALDWELL
12. STEVE CLARK
13. MIGUEL MULET
14. JOHN LAVELLE
15. EUSEBIO IBANEZ
16. JOHN COYNE
17. IAN FAGAN
18. DAVID RATCHLIFEE
19. BILL WILKINSON
20. TOM McLEOD

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UNITED RESERVES V NORTHERN N.S.W.

The Australian Soccer Federation has announced that Coca-Cola will sponsor a national youth soccer championship which will be held in Melbourne in May.

The total cost of staging the event, which will take place between May 13-18, is more than \$30,000.

Two groups of four teams will contest round-robin matches at Monash University. Each state and the ACT will have one team in the championship and Northern New South Wales will also be represented.

The semi finals will be played at Olympic Park on May 17 followed by the final which will be played on May 18.

National team coach Rudi Gutendorf congratulated Coca-Cola for its support of the national youth concept and for its sponsorship of the championship.

Gutendorf will use the national event to help select a squad of players to take part in the FIFA Coca-Cola World Youth tournament to be played in Australia in 1981.

Australia automatically qualifies for this tournament as the host nation.

Some of those future internationals could be seen in action today when the Northern NSW under-19 youth side plays Newcastle KB United reserves.

Northern NSW has a fine record at youth level with our soccer state being regarded as the best nursery in Australia. It was in youth tournaments that such players as Neal Endacott, Joe Senkalski, Peter Tredinnick, Malcolm McClelland, Brett Cowburn and Michael Boogaard first showed their potential on a national scale.

In today's match we may spot some PSL stars of the future.

STOP PRESS: Congratulations to Peter Tredinnick who was named the Daily Mirror-Caltex Sportsman of the month along with Greg Woodhouse. The pair won the award for their performances with the Australian youth team in South America recently.



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SHUTTERBUGS AT THE SOCCER

That fine action shot on the facing page is a no contest battle between lanky South Melbourne defender Stuart Baxter and United's pint (or should that be 600ml) - size winger Graham Heys. Mr. Baxter won the aerial duels but Graham came out better when the ball was on the deck.

Anyway, that pic was taken by a J. W. Brown of Kotara and is one of the early entries in the Newcastle KB United home-match photo of the year contest. United has been in touch with the photographic club authorities in the Newcastle area and they have notified their members of the contest. By first notifying the club, the photographers can gain access to areas near the playing field in order to focus their cameras on the action.

Like J. W. Brown, most entrants will submit a number of shots and we will be running some examples in the program throughout the season. Others will be included in a special display at the Newcastle KB United Shop in Hunter St.

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FIXTURE CARD

Have you got your United fixture card for 1979. It's a wallet size card sponsored with the compliments of Ray Baartz Sports Centre and Newcastle Camera Print. As well as all United's matches for the season it details Philips Cup dates and includes general facts on Newcastle KB United. It is available at many soccer outlets in the Newcastle area including the United club shop.

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AWAY, LADS, AWAY

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- 8th April - Adelaide City - (A)
- 14th April - Sydney Olympic - (H)
- 22nd April - Fitzroy United - (A)
- 28th April - Canberra City - (H)
- 6th May - Brisbane Lions - (A)
- 12th May - Sydney City - (H)
- 20th May - Marconi - (A)
- 26th May - St. George - (H)
- 3rd June - Footscray - (A)
- 23rd June - West Adelaide - (H)
- 1st July - Sth. Melbourne - (A)
- 7th July - Apia West - (H)
- 15th July - Brisbane City - (A)
- 21st July - Adelaide City - (H)
- 29th July - Sydney Olympic - (A)
- 4th Aug. - Fitzroy - (H)
- 19th Aug. - Canberra City - (A)
- 25th Aug. - Brisbane Lions - (H)
- 2nd Sep. - Sydney City - (A)
- 8th Sep. - Marconi - (H)
- 16th Sep. - St. George - (A)
- 22nd Sep. - Footscray - (H)

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BEST PLAYER

The Newcastle Player-of-the-Year award will be judged this season. A roster system will designate three judges to each match both home and away. Each player will be judged out of 10 points with the average being taken to add to each individual player's tally each week. Substitutes, if they are on the field for at least 15 minutes will come into consideration.

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A nice bit of sweeping by Roy Drinkwater brings Terry Byrne's run to an end in the Prime Minister's Cup match against Canberra.
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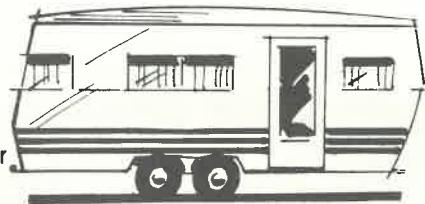
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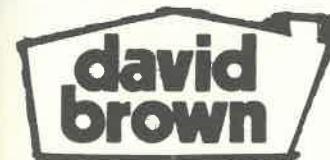
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Home match supporters will not be seeing Newcastle at the International Sports Centre until April 14 when United plays Sydney Olympic. So, why not get in the act of catching United away from home. KB is off to Sydney next week to play APIA and we'll be having buses booked for the United travelling army. Get your booking in with the supporters club stall at today's game or the Newcastle United Shop at 468 Hunter St.

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The following week, United are off

That man on the facing page is Brendan Scorer and he is holding \$1100 worth of trophy.

Brendan is a partner in F. S. and B. Scorer, Bullion Dealers of Newcastle and his firm has donated the trophy for the Newcastle KB United "Golden Goal" award.

A KB United foundation member and keen soccer supporter, Brendan got the idea for the trophy from the four awarded by Adidas during the World Cup finals in Argentina last year.

The Newcastle KB United award is a sterling silver ball plated with gold and if world gold prices keep climbing, it could be worth far more than \$1100 in a few years time.

It is planned that the award will be an annual one with a new trophy being forwarded each year. United also hopes to involve their supporters in the judging of the award which will apply to home matches only.

A panel of judges from the media and the active soccer community will examine all the nominations with the assistance of NBN - 3's match day telecasts. The prize will be handed over at the end of the season.

to play Adelaide City in South Australia. For the match against Olympic the team will be wearing the KB gold so that is the day to break out the gold, red and black scarves and supporters gear again.

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Other round 3 matches played today are:— Sydney City v Marconi - Wentworth Park; Sydney Olympic v West Adelaide - Barton Stadium; Fitzroy United v Sth. Melbourne - Olympic Pk. No. 2 ground; Adelaide City v APIA - Hindmarsh Stadium; Canberra City v Footscray - Bruce Stadium; Brisbane Lions v St. George - Perry Park.

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The club would like to hear from handicapped people wishing to attend our home games. United plans to make special provision for handicapped people and if they contact the club address in the directory on page 3 of this program we will gladly outline the arrangements.

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One of those men scampering up and down the line with camera in hand at our home games is Bernie Muldur of Woodstock Photographic Studio, Wallsend. Bernie captures some of the best action of PSL football in Newcastle and if you want to purchase any of his work, the proofs are on display at the Newcastle United Shop, 1st Floor, 468 Hunter Street, Newcastle.

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Most of the photos that appear in the United program are taken by Newcastle Morning Herald photographers at the match. If there are any photos you particularly fancy, they can be purchased through the photo ordering service at the Herald, 28 Bolton Street, Newcastle.

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Calling all foundation members If you have recently changed your address, please notify the club secretary as soon as possible. We've had some mail returned recently and we would like to see that it reaches the right addresses.

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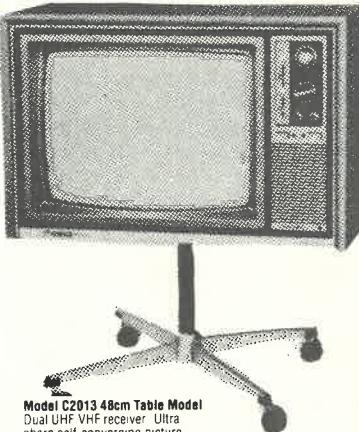
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NOMINATED JUNIOR CLUB (For Junior Members Only) —

TRED LIGHTLY

Sam was acknowledged to be the slowest player in the club. He had other qualities but he was undeniably slow. He was even slow at getting dressed after the game.

After one particular match his two best mates decided they would sit down, have a beer and unwind with Sam. The first provided the beer, the second produced some cigars. Then they discovered there were no matches. Sam remembered he had some in the glove box of his car so he hurried out to get them.

Ten minutes went by. Sam hadn't come back. The other two had finished their beer. One said, "Sam's been gone so long. We might as well drink his beer before it gets flat."

Sam's voice came from along the corridor outside the dressing room, "you touch my beer and I won't go."

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Every sporting crowd has its own peculiarity. The typical Australian says original things like 'Have a go, yer mug'. The Welshman is a great singer. The Italian is a most expressive whistler. But in Paraguay it's all done with newspapers. If you can afford to take a seat in the double-decker stand you must also be able to afford an evening newspaper. (They're nearly all night matches.) The people on the top deck roll their newspaper, light one end and throw it down on the spectators below. They, in turn, need to have their newspaper rolled to brush away the falling missiles. No doubt it all adds to the atmosphere.

In Newcastle where your favourites are
You can watch the game, enjoy a jar.
But in Paraguay
You keep one eye
On the fiery trail of the "Evening Star".

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Dear Dorothy Dix,

I've been going out with this footballer for three months. We are very much in love and we have so much in common. The trouble is my parents are very conservative. They voted for Malcolm Fraser and they support Bjelke-Petersen. They are very anti-Labor and they absolutely hate Communists. I am frightened they might find out my boyfriend's a left winger.

Worried.

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There was this manager, see. He was hated by his players who called him Piq. Most days they pronounced it 'Pick' but he sometimes became extra scatty. Then they called him 'Pique'. But to them the spelling was far more important than the pronunciation. The fellow who coined the nickname reckoned he had a P for a brain, an I for the ladies and a Q of players asking to be put on transfer.

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Just because I like Irish jokes it doesn't mean I underestimate the people of Ireland. Some of the greatest characters have been Irish or of Irish extraction. George Bernard

Shaw and W. B. Yeats in the literary fields are two fine examples. How about George Best in the soccer world? And his countrymen who contribute so much to Arsenal, David O'Leary and Liam Brady to mention just a couple. There is an old story that the bagpipe originated in Ireland. Seems it was given to the Scots as a joke. The Scots didn't see the joke at the time and still haven't seen it.

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Did you hear about the Irish team that had six players sent off for fighting? The coach, in his pre-match talk, told them he wanted to see lots of one-tows.

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And the Irish game that was abandoned because the ground was flooded? The coach made the mistake of saying, "We've been having a dry run. Get out there and turn it on."

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DAFFYNITIONS:

Far Post: Overseas mail.

Near Post: A card to a neighbour.

Six-Metre Box: Basketballer's coffin.

Penalty: The attackers agree it's fine.

The Spot: Where the referee points in an effort to stop the rash.

Save: An action associated with Banks.

Shot: What Kenny Boden has in either foot and gives the game in the arm.

Volley: Like a full toss in cricket but you try to get it past the keeper.

Flag: What the linesman has up on the things the referee is down on.

Chip Over the Wall: A game for the young staff at the fish shop.

Halfback: Child's return.

Fullback: Adult return.

Nutmeg: A spicy stunt.

Body Swerve: Hippy movement usually on grass.

Dummy: Soothes babies. Can make grown men cry.

Through Ball: Needs a new case and a new bladder.

Marking Tight: Putting a name tag on your underwear.

Weighted Pass: Heavy petting.

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Ron Tindall, W.A. Director of coaching, came to Newcastle last December to help run the senior coaching course. Towards the end of the course when everyone was physically spent Ron gave his little party piece. It's a mime of all the antics of all the keepers you ever saw. He collects an imaginary cross, misjudges a shot or two, rubbishes an imaginary teammate, pushes aside phantom photographers to take a goal-kick and generally does a great piece of miming. The climax comes when he dives the wrong way to miss a penalty shot. The dive is absolutely dynamic. Then comes the realisation that he has picked the wrong side, the anguished thumping of the ground and, finally, the crest-fallen trudge to the far corner of the net to retrieve the imaginary ball.

SUPPORTERS CLUB NEWS

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Naturally, after our magnificent victory over South Melbourne our supporters' club spirits are flying high. Wins like that make our work really worthwhile.

While this article is going to press before the West Adelaide game, irrespective of the result, our boys cannot receive enough praise for their efforts against South Melbourne.

If only we supporters could say the same. I don't know what the players have to do to keep our supporters happy but there was hardly a murmur from some spectator areas, particularly the left wing of the grandstand. We might have thought we were in a church during some periods of the match.

Our team are not world-beaters (yet), we're going to win some games and we might lose a few. But one thing is certain, while the boys on the park are giving their best, we should be doing our best to let them know they've got our full support. So, how about more vocal support from the stand. The players really need it. Some of our so called supporters were willing to write the team off after the draw with Canberra but the boys really put that match into its true perspective by knocking off South Melbourne.

If our Lord Mayor, Ald Joy Cummings did not find it undignified to cheer vocally and wave her scarf, I don't know what's holding back some of our other "supporters."

You might ask what is the supporters' club for? Many think it is only a fund-raising organisation. This is only partly true. Sure, we raise money for the soccer club so that we can have an even better team for the future and so that one day we might have our own club.

But the most important aspect of the supporters club is participation. By taking part we help develop the club so that Newcastle people can enjoy the best soccer Australia can produce. We therefore invite you all to enjoy and bring along your ideas. Ask now at the supporters' van near the grandstand for your membership form.

Mr. Harley Dixon, the chairman of the Newcastle United Soccer Club board addressed a recent general meeting and he emphasised the importance of complete co-operation between the board and the supporters' club. After all we are working for the same goal. He pointed out that it is hard to operate without making mistakes, especially in the early stages of the club. The important thing is not to make the same mistake twice. After his address, Mr. Dixon answered questions from the floor. It was a fruitful meeting and we are hoping to have more guest speakers from the board or even from the playing squad.

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Our general meetings are on the first TUESDAY of every month at 8.30 p.m. at the International Sports Centre.

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Our 200 club is in its fourth week now. Unfortunately, an industrial dispute in the lottery office confused our arrangements. However, each day we miss out on the draw goes back to available after the 2nd April. For example, we missed out on our first day, March 5. This draw goes to April 3 and so on. If we miss out on April 2 (the big prize), it will go to the end of the list. Good Luck.

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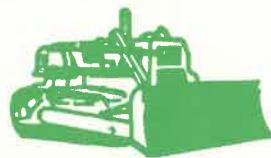
Don't forget we're going to have a cabaret with the Canberra City supporters in April and it will be one you won't want to miss. If you have ever travelled to Canberra with the club, you'll know what I'm talking about.

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FA CUP PARTY — Keep FA Cup final night open. We are going to have a Cup Party and watch the game together. Venue not yet decided.

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